Daily Operations Brief

As of 07:00 EST, 23 Feb 2022

CLASSIFIED ADDENDUM: There is no classified addendum today.

Weather:
Canadian Weather
Tropical Activity
Space Weather Conditions:
Solar Activity

Incidents/Special Events:
New/Ongoing
Upcoming
Wildland Urban Interface Fire
Flooding

Important Notice

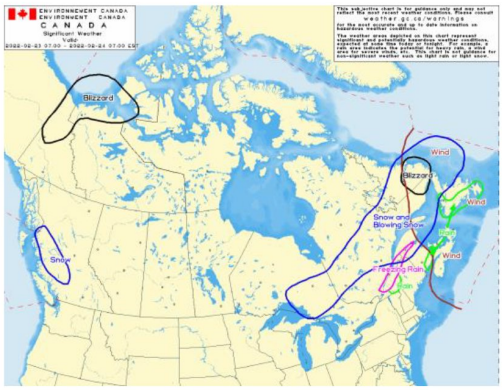
WEATHER

CANADIAN WEATHER (Source: Canadian Meteorological Centre, ECCC)

National Overview: Snow, heavy at times, will end this morning over the central BC interior. Heavy snow will end over northeastern ON, but will persist over western through eastern QC, northern NB, Newfoundland's Great Northern Peninsula and southern Labrador. Blizzard conditions are expected for extreme eastern QC and Labrador. Freezing rain is forecast for southern QC and parts of eastern QC and northern NB. Heavy rain is expected for southern NB and Newfoundland. Windy conditions will occur across eastern Canada. Blizzard conditions are possible for the western regions of NT and YT.

Current Conditions

Significant Weather (Next 24 Hours):
Atlantic Canada: Winter storm, snowfall and rainfall for NB and Newfoundland. Wind over NS and Newfoundland. Blizzard conditions in Labrador. Possible freezing rain in northern NB.
ON/QC: Winter storm and snowfall from northeastern ON through eastern QC. Freezing rain in southern QC and parts of eastern QC. Rainfall in extreme southern QC. Possible blizzard conditions in QC Lower North Shore.
BC: Snowfall in the BC interior.
Arctic: Blizzard conditions in NT and possible in YT.



Significant Weather

Significant Weather Outlook (Next 2-5 Days): Gale to storm force winds are anticipated over the Labrador Sea on 24 Feb. Local heavy snow and blowing snow will affect western NS on 25 Feb. Additionally, strong to high winds will blow over the northern West Coast. Rain, heavy at times, should fall over the northern West Coast on 26 Feb. Local heavy snow and blowing snow should affect the northern Coast Mountains on 26 Feb. Strong to high winds are expected over the West Coast during this time frame. Blowing snow and local blizzard conditions should affect the Beaufort Sea and southwest NU on 26 and 27 Feb. Rain, heavy at times, local heavy snow and strong to high winds should affect the West Coast on 27 Feb.

TROPICAL ACTIVITY

North Atlantic: Nothing significant to report.

Eastern Pacific: Nothing significant to report.

No map will be provided when there is nothing to report.

SPACE WEATHER CONDITIONS

SOLAR ACTIVITY (Source: Natural Resources Canada)

There are no major storm conditions anticipated. No map will be provided when there is nothing significant to report.

See the Canadian Space Weather Forecast Centre website for current information: http://www.spaceweather.gc.ca (updated every 15 minutes).

INCIDENTS / SPECIAL EVENTS

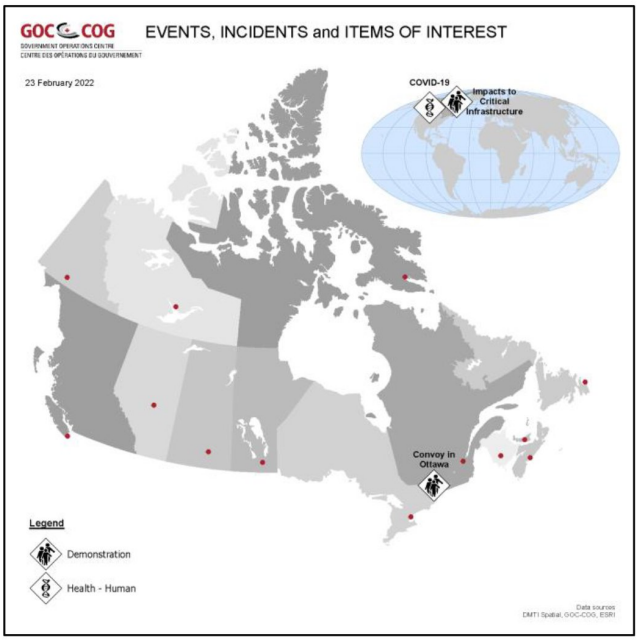
NEW/ONGOING

1. 00360-22 Emergence of COVID-19 – Update: The Government Operations Centre (GOC) continues to monitor the COVID-19 situation across Canada and will provide situational awareness through the COVID-19 National Common Operating Picture (COP). The COP will be distributed on an ad hoc basis as required.

2. 00009-22 Impacts to Critical Infrastructure, Demonstrations Across Canada – Update: A large-scale demonstration began in the National Capital Region on 28 Jan 2022 and since then, similar demonstrations have occurred across the country.

On 14 Feb 2022, the Prime Minister invoked the *Emergencies Act* to assist the efforts to end the ongoing demonstrations and blockades in Ottawa and at Ports of Entry (POEs) across Canada.

On 21 Feb, the federal government's use of the *Emergencies Act* in response to the convoy blockades in Ottawa and at border crossings passed in a key vote in the House of Commons.



Incident Map

Edmonton

During the afternoon of 22 Feb, roughly 225 vehicles and 1,500 pedestrians participated in a demonstration in Edmonton in front of the Legislature. The protest began to disperse at approximately 18:00 EST, and the closed roads have reopened. Edmonton Police Service handed out 109 violations during the protest.

Ottawa

Police operations continued on 22 Feb in the Secured Area. Ottawa Police Service is reminding all those living and working in the Secured Area to have their ID on them at all times, to facilitate their movement within the area.

The Secured Area, which is restricted to those who live, work or have a lawful reason to be there, has been reduced to include the following:

- Bronson Ave. to the Rideau Canal, and
- **Laurier Ave.** to Parliament Hill

The Exclusion Zone, which is restricted to authorized personnel with valid work ID only, has also been reduced:

- Bay St to Elgin St (including the National War Memorial, and
- The north side of Sparks St (to allow foot traffic along Sparks to Parliament Hill).

The NOTAM over Parliament Hill has been extended until 28 Feb.

Interprovincial bridges:
Portage **is closed except for essential workers; there is limited northbound access from Bay St. with a checkpoint at Bay St. and Sparks St.**
Alexandra, Champlain, Macdonald-Cartier and Chaudière bridges are open.

The GOC will continue to monitor the demonstrations to identify and evaluate any further potential impacts to Critical Infrastructure across the country.

(Sources: TC, RCMP, OPS, Public Safety Regional Offices, Open Sources)

UPCOMING

Nothing significant to report.

WILDLAND URBAN INTERFACE FIRE

Nothing significant to report.

FLOODING

Nothing significant to report.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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